#### DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA FEBRUARY 5, 2007 7:00 P.M.

The Durham City Council met in regular session on the above date and time in the Council Chambers at City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden, Council Member Brown, Council Member Catotti, Council Member Clement, Council Member Stith, and Council Member Woodard. Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Patrick Baker, City Attorney Henry Blinder, City Clerk D. Ann Gray and Deputy City Clerk Linda Bratcher.

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order with a moment of silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Clement.

#### **CEREMONIAL ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY COUNCIL**

Council Member Woodard recognized Durham Jaycees 2006 President Erin Locklear who presented the Civic Award to Lori Blake-Reid of the General Services Department. Also, Council Member Woodard presented a proclamation declaring February 2007 as National Mentoring Month to Stephen Raburn, Executive Director of the Volunteer Center, who made comments.

Council Member Clement read a Resolution Memorializing John Wilson Edwards.

Mayor Bell presented a proclamation to Human Relations Director Yvonne Pena declaring February 5-9, 2007 as Human Relations Week.

Council Member Catotti thanked Mayor Bell for his State of the City Address, congratulated Eno River Association on its 40th Anniversary, Shepard Magnet IB Middle School for celebrating African American Achievement Day, and the Durham Chamber of Commerce on their Annual Meeting.

Council Member Woodard welcomed Boy Scout Troop 440 from the Watts Street Baptist Church; congratulated Preservation Durham and the Office of Economic and Workforce Development on the dedication of their new offices; thanked Capital Broadcasting and the American Tobacco Campus for displaying an exhibit of drawings and observations of Nelson Mandela; recognized Jim and Barbara Goodmon, and the Police Department and Major Officer Eric Hester for the 2nd Annual Block Captain Workshop that was held last Saturday. Finally, he encouraged everyone to be a block captain.

Council Member Brown made comments on the *Black Enterprise Magazine* article entitled 75 of the Most Powerful Blacks on Wall Street acknowledging Maceo Sloan and Eugene Flood, Jr. He thanked President Brodhead for his work in handling the off-campus behavior of Duke students in the Trinity Park Neighborhood.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole-McFadden congratulated Mayor Bell on the State of City Address and *Spectacular Magazine* on featuring Durham Youth Council Member Krystin McCauley.

Council Member Clement informed the public that there will be seven Coffees with Council sessions starting February 10 and made comments concerning Mr. Sloan who was featured in *Black Enterprise Magazine*.

Council Member Stith thanked the Budget staff and urged the public to participate in the budget process.

# PRIORITY ITEMS BY THE CITY MANAGER, CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK

Mayor Bell asked for priority items from the City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk. City Manager Baker requested that General Business Agenda Item #13 [Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Citizen's Financial Report for the Period Ended June 30, 2006] be heard first after the Consent Agenda.

**MOTION** by Council Member Clement seconded by Council Member Catotti to accept the City Manager's priority item was approved at 7:51 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

There were no priority items from the City Attorney and City Clerk.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Bell asked if any citizens or council members wanted to pull any items from the Consent Agenda. No items were pulled.

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to approve the Consent Agenda was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

**Subject: Design District Review Team - Appointment** 

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to reappoint Joe Jackson to the Design District Review Team for a Landscape Architect with the term to expire on January 31, 2009 was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

**Subject: Major Site Plan- The Landings at Southpoint (D06-061)** 

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to approve "The Landings at Southpoint," a 160 unit condominium complex with clubhouse, swimming pool, and 370 parking spaces on 10.26 acres zoned RS-M (D) and F/J-B; the site is located on the west side of NC 751, north of I-40, south of NC 54, across from Caliber Park Drive was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

#### Subject: Setting Public Hearing to Amend the FY 06-07 Annual Action Plan

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to set a public hearing on February 19, 2007 to amend the FY 06-07 Annual Action Plan was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

## Subject: Setting Public Hearings for the Confirmation of Assessment Rolls - Sewer Main on Broach Road and Hillock Place

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to adopt resolutions setting public hearings for February 19, 2007 for the following assessment rolls: Sewer Main on Broach Road from Pennock Road to Mockingbird Lane; and Sewer Main on Hillock Place from the West Property Line of Tax Map 821-1-6 to the North Property Line of Tax Map 821-1-7H was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Subject: Sub-recipient Agreement with Durham County Habitat for Humanity for Acquisition of Six (6) Vacant Lots in Southwest Central Durham - 1109 and 1111 Jackson Street and 709, 711, 717, and 719 Carroll Street

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to authorize the City Manager to execute a sub-recipient agreement with Durham County Habitat for Humanity in an amount up to \$178,500.00 to acquire and demolish six vacant properties and up to \$50,000.00 to correct the drainage and site problems at 1109 and 1111 Jackson Street and adjoining properties;

To authorize the expenditure of up to \$178,500.00 in FY 06-07 CDBG funds for acquisition and up to \$50,000.00 in FY 05-06 CDBG funds for site work; and

To authorize the City Manager to modify the agreement and other related documents before execution, provided that the modifications do not increase the dollar amount of the agreement and do not lessen the obligations of the contractor was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Subject: Supplemental Fire Protection Contract Renewals with Parkwood Volunteer Fire Department - Service to Herndon Road Tract, Westfield Development and Audubon Park

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to authorize the City Manager to execute renewal amendments to the contracts with the Parkwood Volunteer Fire Department to provide supplemental fire protection service to Herndon Road Tract, Westfield Development and Audubon Park was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

**Subject: Contract ST-227 Street Improvements - Thalle Construction Company, Inc.** 

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Woodard to authorize the City Manager to execute contract ST-227 for Street Improvements with Thalle Construction Company, Incorporated in the amount of \$4,397,930.50;

To establish a contingency fund in the amount of \$590,442.80 (13.43%); and

To authorize the City Manager to negotiate change orders provided that the cost of all change orders does not exceed \$590,442.80 and the total project cost does not exceed \$4,988,373.30 was approved at 7:53 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

### The City Council disposed of the following agenda items at the January 18, 2007 Work Session:

**Subject: Approval of City Council Minutes** 

To approve City Council minutes for the December 18, 2006 and January 2, 2007 City Council meetings; and To approve the City Council action taken at the December 20, 2006 City Council Work Session.

Note: This item was referred back to the City Clerk's Office.

#### **Subject: Performance Audit and Organizational Assessment**

To discuss the implementation of a Performance Audit and Organizational Assessment.

Note: A discussion was held at the January 18, 2007 Work Session.

#### **Subject: Downtown Street Improvements**

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To receive an update on the Downtown Street Improvements.

Note: A presentation was received at the January 18, 2007 Work Session.

#### Subject: Capital Program Advisory Committee Quarterly Report

To receive the Capital Program Advisory Committee's (C-PAC) 2nd Quarterly Report.

Note: A presentation was received at the January 18, 2007 Work Session.

#### **Subject: Emorywood Estates Community Association**

To receive comments from Thelma White regarding construction traffic in their community.

Note: Comments were received at the January 18, 2007 Work Session.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS AGENDA

# **Subject:** Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Citizen's Financial Report for the Period Ended June 30, 2006

To accept the report on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Citizen's Financial Report for the period ended June 30, 2006.

Finance Director Ken Pennoyer gave a power point presentation on the FY 2006 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Highlights referencing the following: CAFR Information; CAFR major changes; financial highlights; organization of report; government-wide financial statements; fund financial statements; City of Durham fund structure; general fund balances; water and sewer fund; enterprise funds; and annual actuarial study--handout provided.

Council Member Stith made comments on the water and sewer fund surplus and debt service.

Several members of Council thanked the Budget Office for their work.

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Catotti to accept the report on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Citizen's Financial Report for the period ended June 30, 2006 was approved at 8:04 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

**Subject: East End Connector Project** 

To receive public comments on the East End Connector project; and

To recommend that Alternative 3 be carried forward for further study (Alternative 3 has the least impact on the human environment with the fewest expected residential and business relocations. (It is expected to have a low impact on the natural environment. Alternative 3 has the lowest estimated cost and requires the least amount of additional right of way. It is the alternative closest to the preferred alternative from the previous environmental study for this project).

Mayor Bell outlined the purpose of this item. He noted this item is not a public hearing, but an opportunity for persons to speak on the East End Connector.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen reported Council received a presentation on the four alternatives that are being considered for the East End Connector at the January 4, 2007 City Council Meeting and subsequently received additional information on the impacts associated with these four alternatives at their January 18, 2007 City Council Work Session and at that time, he noted staff was directed to notify the public so that they could have an opportunity to comment directly to Council. He informed Council that notices were sent to property owners who were potentially impacted by any one of the four alternatives being considered.

He gave an overview of the project highlighting that the East End Connector is an interstate type freeway project connecting US 70 to NC 147 on the Eastern side of Durham, will include upgrades to US 70 and interchange improvements at US 70 and Holloway Street. He reported the first informational workshop took place last September and the most recent workshop was held January 30, 2007 and generally the comments were supportive of Alternative #3 out of the four alternatives that are being considered. He informed Council that on February 13, North Carolina Department of Transportation and Review Agencies are scheduled to make a selection of which alternative to carry forward. He noted in the Fall 2007 NCDOT will issue a draft environmental impact statement, a record of decision in 2008 and the current schedule includes right of way acquisition to begin 2010 and construction in 2012. He made comments on the four alternatives that were studied in 1982 and re-evaluated in this process: 1) North of East End Avenue; 2) South of Alternative 1; 3) South of East End Avenue and 4) Close to Glover Road. He gave a summary of evaluation factors that were considered for each of the four alternatives--the length of the project; the additional right of way expected to be acquired noting it is the lowest for Alternative 3 which was identified as the preferred alternative in 1982 and since that time there has been right-of-way acquisition that has occurred over the last 25 years. He discussed the cost estimates: Alternatives 1 and 2 are the highest at \$190 - \$195 million just for construction cost; alternative 3 is the least costly at \$135 million and alternative 4 is \$150 million. He stated Alternative 3 has the least impacts to residencies, businesses, churches and the cemetery on US 70. He stated all alternatives have a modest impact on the natural environment with alternative 4 having the greatest impact. Subject to comments received tonight, he noted staff's recommendation is that Council would recommend to NCDOT that they carry forward Alternative 3 for further study.

Since it will take some time before construction begins on this project, Council Member Brown made comments on the escalating costs for materials and construction. He asked staff will the state pay for a budget gap.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen shared how the funding was secured for this project in the Draft 2007/2013 Transportation Improvement Program for \$400 million to begin right-of-way acquisition in 2010 and construction in 2012. He reported that it would be difficult to find the additional funds; but will continue to work with NCDOT and noted cost will be a factor in keeping this project on schedule.

Council Member Woodard thanked staff for the number of hours spent on this project.

Joel Gillis, representing Thrifty Office Furniture/1023 S. Miami Boulevard, spoke in support of Option 3. He stated if Option 4 is passed it would put him out of business.

Jesse Gibson, of 403 Feldspar Way and representing PAC 1, commended Council on the issue of affordable housing for the East Main, Old Edgemont and Barnes Avenue areas. He asked what methods would be used to calculate the values of the individual property-will it be the tax assessed value or the fair market value. He noted NCDOT should be encouraged to answer this question by sharing it with the property owners that will be affected by the Connector. Mr. Gibson urged Council to get with NCDOT and ask them to institute an appeal process for business and residential property owners in writing and to give them in advance of the final approval/endorsement by Council for resolving disputes between NCDOT and the property owners about the appraised values of their property. Also, he noted the same type of questions should apply with the issue of widening Alston Avenue.

Pastor Sylvester Williams asked everyone to stand who was against Alternative 2 and in support of the No-Build Option. Pastor Williams expressed concern about proceedings relating to the East End Connector, made comments on the options, expressed concern that the community was not told about Option 5--No Build Option, or the alternative of widening existing roads during the meetings the community attended. He informed Council that a representative from NCDOT noted the state has stepped back to let the Metropolitan Planning Organization run the process and the Transportation Advisory Committee and the Technical Coordinating Committee made suggestions without consulting or deliberating with anyone in the community. Pastor Williams raised a concern about the misinformation gathered at meetings, with senior citizens/retirees being relocated and not being able to afford an average home in Durham.

Arvis Bridges, of the Hayestown Community, urged Council to consider the impact the East End Connector will have on the people that makeup the city. She expressed concern with uprooting retired and senior citizens from a lifestyle in the Hayestown community. She urged Council to not overlook them and work on an alternative that the entire city can live with.

Council held discussion on the Hayestown community.

Mayor Bell asked the audience if their homes would be impacted by Alternative 3 and the reply was yes.

Vivian McCoy, of P. O. Box 11751 and representing New East Durham, expressed concern that proposed East End Connector was presented to District 1/NECD last summer and this has been on the books for 20 years; however, the people who live in District 1/NECD were not aware of this. She noted the East End Connector will only benefit one section of Durham and that's the downtown area; there has been no master plan to District 1/NECD, presentations heard from NCDOT are inconsistent and expressed concern about the inability of the NCDOT representative to answer community questions. She noted an alternative plan should include: timeframe of notification of the community, acquisition and relocation, right-of-way of properties; actual architectural design, name of streets, number of houses on each street, name of businesses, number of businesses, number of bridges, overpass, actual location and height, noise level, greenway, sidewalk, environmental and health issues, name of real estate agency that NCDOT will utilize. Also, she requested that community meetings be held every 30 to 90 days beyond the Fall 2008 and NECD/District 1 requests a written master plan within the next six months be given to the community. She noted the East End Connector will have an effect on the senior citizens by uprooting them from their homes; therefore, she asked the City to provide psychological, internal medical help, and counseling for senior citizens and disabled residents in District 1/NECD. She stated they do not support any one of the alternatives, raised a concern about the information they have received from NCDOT-- they cannot answer questions consistently, different group and different group of answers and no one is uniform. She stated she has a problem with the City's Transportation Department and NCDOT not informing the community that this has been on books for 20 years until 2006.

Barry Regan, 1706 Shawnee Street/representing Duke Park Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of the East End Connector--Alternative 3. He noted it would stimulate economic development in a part of a county that has not received many of the benefits of growth that the rest of the Durham has experienced, 2) the neighborhood has strong motivation for reducing both the volume and speed of thru-traffic on urban neighborhood streets; and 3) pedestrian safety. Also, he made comments regarding traffic calming efforts in the area, thanked Council and everyone involved for not supporting the widening of Roxboro Street between I-85 and Knox Street and noted new measures need to be taken in the area to enhance safety.

Thomas Poole, of 502 Bruce Street/representing PAC 1, raised a concern that the physical impact study has not been seen for the East End Connector.

Phyllis Bass, of 1127 Benning Street/PAC1, asked the Council to provide trust with good communication and to be mindful of the citizens in District 1 as they move along with the East End Connector.

Alvis Aikens, of 3319 Woodland Park Road/Pac 1, expressed concern with major projects coming forward in this area within the next five years--East End Connector and Alston Avenue, and the impact this project will have on businesses. Mr. Aikens stated he supports further discussions regarding all options concerning the East End Connector.

Paul Hickman, Transportation Committee for the Durham Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the East End Connector and the option that yields the least least impact on the businesses and the community.

Marty Nelson, of 1712 Vista Street/representing Duke Park Neighborhood, voiced support with moving forward with the East End Connector with paying close attention to the individuals that will be impacted. She noted the connector will decrease traffic and raised a concern with Knox Street, Roxboro Road and Duke Park noting the need for pedestrian signals and commented on the Durham Walks proposal.

Lenora Smith, of 1001 N. Roxboro Street/representing NECD/District 1, made comments in support of Option 5--No Build Option. She stated there really has not been a conscientious look at the lives and lifestyles of the effected population and this is truly to the detriment of the City of Durham. She employed Council to look at inner city communities with an innovative eye, to implement restoration and growth projects that address the needs and special circumstances of the minority residents in that community.

Johnetta Alston, of 309 East End Avenue, spoke in opposition to the East End Connector coming through East End Avenue. She expressed concern that she did not know about the 20-year project until last year, and upon trying to receive some clarity regarding this issue she received three different responses.

Mayor Bell noted all comments will go forward and will be a part of this continuing process to try to receive answer to some of the questions raised this evening. Also, the Mayor asked staff to get clarify on why three different responses to questions raised.

Mayor Pro Tem Cole-McFadden requested staff to provide a listing of properties impacted by Alternative 3.

Council Member Clement asked staff what's next and how Alternative 3 was chosen.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen noted based upon staff's memorandum that identifies the impacts of the four alternatives in terms of the impacts on the natural and human environment, businesses and residencies that have been identified as potentially being affected by the project and the cost of the project are the quantitative factors for staff's recommendation for Alternative 3. He made comments on the No-Build Option and summarized the purpose and need for this project.

Council Member Clement suggested that an Ad Hoc Committee of citizens representing the several opinions expressed tonight be established to work out some consensus.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen stated NCDOT and review agencies are currently scheduled to consider the information on the four alternatives on February 13, 2007 and make a decision as to which ones to carry forward for further study. He noted the study is not completed at this point and they need more detailed information to identify in greater detail the impacts and begin developing mitigation measures for those impacts. He reported the next step is to narrow down the number of alternatives and focus on the impacts associated with those alternatives and how to mitigate those impacts.

For clarification, Mayor Bell noted staff/Council is being asked to proceed with further study of a particular site which does not preclude discussions/questions raised tonight.

Council Member Stith asked staff what is the best method to ensure questions raised tonight are accurately responded to and ensuring that the citizen committee is a part of the process.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen responded that staff will follow up with NCDOT and many of the questions raised tonight will be answered in due course through the process.

Council Member Woodard asked staff questions regarding the following issues: streets impacted by the East End Connector, staff report identifies structures to be taken by the project and not houses and businesses, and thru-traffic and truck traffic on East End Avenue.

Council Member Catotti expressed concern that citizens are getting different information from different individuals and asked staff to address tax assessment and fair market for relocation.

Transportation Manager Mark Ahrendsen commented on what is used in terms of tax assessment and fair market value for relocation. He noted NCDOT has to follow the federal right-of-way acquisition and relocation assistance act, prepare fair market appraisals, there is a published process, real estate agents/appraisals involved; appeals process and based on fair market analysis at that time, relocation, impact project will have on the community, etc. He noted staff should know more on the timeframe to acquisition by Fall 2007.

Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden asked staff to revisit the Crest Street model.

A motion was made by Council Member Clement seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden to establish an Ad Hoc Committee of citizens to reach a consensus.

Council Member Brown made comments on moving forward with this item which has been a long drawn out process since the 1960s which was called the Eno Drive project which is now the East End Connector.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Brown to move forward and convey the message to NCDOT that Council is in support of Option 3. Motion dies for a lack of a second.

A substitute motion was made by Council Member Catotti seconded by Council Member Stith to recommend that Alternative 3 be carried forward for further study (Alternative 3 has the least impact on the human environment with the fewest expected residential and business relocations. (It is expected to have a low impact on the natural environment. Alternative 3 has the lowest estimated cost and requires the least amount of additional right of way. It is the alternative closest to the preferred alternative from the previous environmental study for this project); and to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to work with NCDOT and the City's Transportation Department to address many of the questions raised and to utilize other resources.

Council Member Clement spoke against the substitute motion noting it pre-empts citizens' involvement.

Council Member Brown noted the need is there for the connector and spoke against Option 5.

Council Member Clement made comments in support of the original motion.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION** by Council Member Catotti seconded by Council Member Stith to receive public comments on the East End Connector project; and

To recommend that Alternative 3 be carried forward for further study (Alternative 3 has the least impact on the human environment with the fewest expected residential and business relocations. It is expected to have a low impact on the natural environment. Alternative 3 has the lowest estimated cost and requires the least amount of additional right of way. It is the alternative closest to the preferred alternative from the previous environmental study for this project); and To establish an Ad Hoc Committee to work with NCDOT and the City's Transportation Department to address many of the questions raised and to utilize other resources was approved at 9:52 p.m. by the following vote: Ayes: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Stith and Woodard. Noes: Council Member Clement. Absent: None.

Mayor Bell urged citizens who are interested in serving on the Ad Hoc Committee to contact the City Clerk's Office.

#### **Subject: Fiscal Year 2007-08 Budget**

To receive public comments on the City of Durham's Fiscal Year 2007-08 Budget.

Assistant City Manager for Budget and Strategic Initiatives Julie Brenman outlined the purpose of this item.

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Mayor Bell opened the public hearing.

Terry Allebaugh, representing Housing for New Hope/18 W. Colony Place, encouraged Council to increase funding for affordable housing and community development and to return Housing Inspections to the CORE City budget.

Lenora Smith, Project Director of PEACH/101 N. Roxboro Street, spoke in support of funding for lead-based paint and lead in other issues. Also, she spoke in support for the Campaign for Decent Housing Item #5 except for rewards such as forgiveness of fines.

Rich Lee, DAHC, urged Council to shift funding for housing inspectors to the General Fund.

Larry Hester, 3526 Abercromby Drive/Fayetteville Street Planning Group, noted residents are still waiting on a report from last year on the neighborhood requests and urged Council to adopt, fund and implement the Fayetteville Street Plan during the 2007-08 budget--\$50 million spread over five years.

Lanya Shapiro, of 1217 Clarendon Street, thanked Council for their hard work, commented on Council salaries of other cities encouraging Council to think about giving themselves a raise.

Chuck Clifton, of 1411 Rosedale Avenue/representing CAC, urged Council to ensure CORE functions of relative City departments are funded directly out the General Fund and do not consume CDBG, HOME or ESG funds.

David Anthony, representing the West End, thanked Council for their work.

Mayor Bell closed the public hearing.

**MOTION** by Council Member Stith seconded by Council Member Catotti to receive public comments on the City of Durham's fiscal year 2007-08 budget was approved at 10:20 p.m. by the following vote: Mayor Bell, Mayor Pro Tempore Cole-McFadden and Council Members Brown, Catotti, Clement, Stith and Woodard. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Council held discussion on the Coffees with Council, Citizens Advisory Committee, and the issue of sidewalks on Fayetteville Street.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Linda E. Bratcher Deputy City Clerk D. Ann Gray, CMC City Clerk